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Office Action Summary

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RYCHLAK, STEFAN

Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 August 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 11-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 11-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 March 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains.

Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 11-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brunts et al. (U.S. 5887269A) and in view of Nimura et al. (US 5884218A).

With respect to claims 11, 13, and 16, Brunts et al. discloses a memory card (120) (Bruns et al, figure 8), which is about the size of a credit card and is formatted to PCMCIA standards. And said memory card is for use with the memory card interface (36) (Bruns et al, figure 3, memory card 36). Brunts et al. teach that the memory card stores data regarding to a navigation destination (Bruns et al, column 7, lines 1-10) and said the memory card interface (36) is provided for reading the information stored in the memory card (Bruns et al, column 7, lines 50-65).

Bruns et al. do not disclose that the following limitation: "audio data assigned to the at least one navigation destination stored in the memory".

The reference to Nimura et al. has been cited as teaching a navigation system including an IC memory card for storing various data such as destination data, voice guidance data, picture showing simple guide route that are necessary for navigation. Brunts et al. do not disclose that audio data assigned to the at least one navigation destination stored in the memory, however, the IC memory card discussed above is inherently associates the destination data and the voice guidance data so that user is able to follow voice data to a selected destination.

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the system of Brunts et al. to include the teachings as taught by Nimura et al. to gain advantage therefore (i.e., a driver can be capable of maintaining safety driving while reaching a selected destination).

With regard to claim 12, Nimura et al. disclose that the audio data includes information about the navigation destination (Nimura et al., column 8, lines 41-50)

With regard to claim 14, Brunts et al teach that the memory card interface (36) (Brunts et al., figure 3, memory card 36) for reading the information stored in the memory card (Brunts et al., column 7, lines 50-65). The voice data is reproduced via the audio speaker (65) (Brunts et al., figure 3).

With regard to claim 15, Brunts et al. inherently discloses the following: "the audio data is read and reproduced during navigational guidance" because during navigation guidance, the voice through the speaker (65) is produced for the purpose of navigating the driver traveling from a current location to a destination.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see amendment after final, filed 08/08/2005, with respect to the rejection(s) of claim(s) 11-16 under 35 U.S.C 103(a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the final rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Nimura et al. (US5884218A).

Conclusions

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan C To whose telephone number is (571) 272-6985. The examiner can normally be reached on from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Black can be reached on (571) 272-6956.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

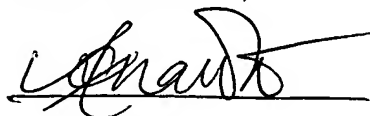
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Patent Examiner,

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Tuan C To

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